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For: A METHOD FOR CLEANING A GLASS

SUBSTRATE FOR A MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, A GLASS SUBSTRATE CLEANED BY SUCH A

METHOD AND A MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM USING...

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 6, 2003, Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group I, claims 1-5 and 8-9 for continued examination.

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The Examiner has required restriction between

Group I: claims 1-5 and 8-9, which are directed to a method for cleaning a glass substrate for a magnetic recording medium; or

Group II: claims 6-7, which are directed to a magnetic recording medium

In response, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-5 and 8-9, which are directed to a method for cleaning a glass substrate for a magnetic recording medium. This election is without traverse.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks, withdrawal of this restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

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